

APPLY THE SKILLS

The Fall of the House of Usher • The Raven

1. **Connect:** In what ways is the appearance of the interior of Usher's house related to the condition of Usher's mind?

2. **Analyze:** By the end of the poem, what does the Raven come to represent?

3. **Literary Analysis:** How does the storm contribute to the **single effect** of a growing sense of terror in "The Fall of the House of Usher"?

4. **Literary Analysis:** Use this chart to compare the **Gothic** elements in the story and poem.

Gothic Element	House of Usher	Raven
Setting		
Violence		
Characterization		
The Supernatural		

5. **Reading Strategy:** Break down this sentence and rewrite it in your own words.

At times, again, I was obliged to resolve all into the mere inexplicable vagaries of madness, for I beheld him gazing upon vacancy for long hours, in an attitude of the profoundest attention, as if listening to some imaginary sound.
